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RIGHTS PERFORMANCE ALLEGE "HYPOCRICY"

1. SUMMARY. THE POLISH MEDIA HAVE SEIZED UPON THE WFTU'S COMPLAINT TO ECOSOC ALLEGING US POLICE VIOLATION OF "ELEMENTARY HUMAN AND TRADE UNION RIGHTS" IN PUERTO RICO, THE AMERICAN INDIAN MANIFESTO'S ACCUSATION OF A "POLICY OF TERROR" AGAINST ON THE PART OF US OFFICIALS, AND THE US SENATE VOTE TO RESTORE RESTRICTIONS ON ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO FOREIGN COMMUNISTS, TO HAMMER HOME THE THEME OF "HYPOCRICY" IN US HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY. RECENT POLISH MEDIA COVER-
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AGE ALSO ALLEGES OFFICIAL US INDIFFERNECE TOWARDS SUPPOSEDLY GROWING NEO-NAZISM IN THE COUNTRY. END SUMMARY.

2. UNDER THE HEADLINE "US AUTHORITIES VIOLATE BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS", TRYBUNA LUDU, THE DAILY NEWSPAPER OF THE POLISH UNITED WORKERS' PARTY (PZPR), PUBLISHED

A POLISH NEWS AGENCY (PAP) REPORT OF A COMPLAINT
LODGED WITH THE UN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL (ECOSOC)
IN GENEVA BY THE WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS (WFTUBZ)
ALLEGING VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE UNITED
STATES, ESPECIALLY PUERTO RICO. ACCORDING TO THE
GENEVA-DATELINED PAP ACCOUNT, THE WFTU REPORT "CON-
TAINS A WIDELY DOCUMENTED REGISTER OF BRUTAL ACTIONS
UNDERTAKEN BY THE US POLICE AUTHORITIES AGAINST PRO-
GRESSIVE SOCIAL AND TRADE UNION ACTIVISTS," INCLUD-
ING ABDUCTING AND CAUSING THE DEATH OF "EMINENT" PUERTO
RICAN UNION ACTIVIST R.C. SANTANA. MOREOVER, THE
ARTICLE CONTINUED, "US AUTHORITIES ARE SYSTEMA-
TICALLY LIQUIDATING ALL TRADE UNION RIGHTS GARANTEED

INILCO CONVENTIONS ACCEPTED BY THE UNITED STATES.

3. THE PAP REPORT CONCLUDED: "THIS COMPLAINT
IS ONE OF THE NUMEROUS VOICES OF PROTEST RAISED
RECENTLY IN GENEVA INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
AGAINST THE INCREASING INCIDENCE OF VIOLATIONS OF
HUMAN RIGHTS BY US AUTHORITIES. IN PARTICULAR,
AT THE FORUM OF THE UN COMMISSION ON HUMANRIGHTS,
NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS AND PROTESTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED
ABOUT RACIAL AND POLITICAL DISCRIMINATION AND THE
SYSTEMATIC VIOLATION OF THE LEGAL
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POLITICAL PRISONERS IN THE UNITED STATES."

4. IN THE SAME EDITION OF TL,
ANOTHERPAP DISPATCH, DATE-
LINED WASHINGTON, REPORTED ON A MANIFESTO
ISSUED FOLLOWING THE "UNPRECEDENTED" MARCH ON THE
CAPITAL BY AMERICAN INDIANS. PAP QUOTES THE MANI-
FESTO AS STATING THAT THE ADMINISTRATION' HUMAN RIGHTS
CAMPAGIN "IS THROUGHLY HYPOCRITICAL IN THE FACE OF
HISTORY AND THE PRESENT LIVING CONDITIONS OF AMERI-
CAN INDIANS," AGAINST WHOM THE "OVERTLY GENOCIDAL
POLICY TOWARDS THE INDIANS,...IS NOW BEING CONTINUED
IN "MORE SUBTLE" FORM

WITH THE FBI, FEDERAL
COURTS AND OTHER ORGANS OF AUTHORITY ADOPTING A
"POLICY OF TERROR" ANDVIOLATING INDIANS" RIGHTS. THE
AUTHORIS OF THE MANIFESTO, PAP NOTED, ASKED THE NATIONS
OF THE WORLD TO APPEAL FOR OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS
AS REGARDS THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF AMERICA.

5. IN A COMMENTARY ENTITLED "WORDS AND FACTS" AND

PRINTED IN ITALICS IN TRYBUMXNOLUDU ON AUGUST 1, RYSZARD DRECKI LAMBASTED THE US SENATE'S DECISION TO RESTORE RESTRICTIONS AGAINST THE ENTRY OF FOREIGN COMMUNISTS INTO THE UNITED STATES. THE REVERSAL OF THE STEPS TAKEN LAST YEAR TO EASE SUCH RESTRICTIONS, ACCORDING TO DRECKI, PROVES THE "VITALITY" OF ANTI-COMMUNISM AND OF THE FORCES ARRAYED "AGAINST THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST." IN ADDITIONA, HE WROTE, THE SENATE DECISION (HE DID NOT MENTION THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE MUST CONCUR BEFORE THE RESTRICTIONS ARE RESTORED TO US IMMIGRATION LAW) IS "IN CONTRADICTION WITH THE SPIRIT AND LETTER OF THE FINAL CSCE ACT IN HELSINKI."

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6. "IT IS NOT WITHOUT POLITICAL PIQUANCY", DRECKI CONTINUED, "THAT THIS DEMONSTRATION OCCURS EXACTLY IN THE FIELD OF CONTACTS AND THEREFORE IN THAT AREA IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES PRETENDED TO BE A MODEL TO EMULATE AND EVEN BROADCAST VARIOUS CLAIMS AND INSTRUCTION TOWARDS SOCIALIST STATES." DRECKI DID NOTE SECRETARY VANCE'S DISAPPROVAL OF THE SENATE STEP, BUT IMPLIED THAT THIS WAS INEFFECTUAL. "AMERICAN AIMS TO INSTRUCT AND TO JUDGE OTHERS ARE ALWAYS CHARACTERIZED WITH A BREATH OF HYPOCRISY...THE RETURN TO COLD WAR PRACTICES IN RELATION TO COMMUNISTS IS SIMPLY ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HOW WORDS DEVIATE FROM FACTS."

7. ANOTHER ITALICIZED ARTICLE, ENTITLED "STRANGE PRACTICES,"

APPEARED IN AUGUST 1 IN ZYCIE WARSZAWY, TAGGED WITH THE INITIALS WYS (PROBABLY ADAM WYBUCKI). THE AUTHOR CLAIMED THE WORLD PRESS HAS

"FORA CERTAIN TIME" CONSIDERED THE "DISQUIETING MANIFESTATIONS CONNECTED WITH THE GROWING POPULARITY OF SO-CALLED NEO-NAZISM IN THE UNITED STATES. "THERE, IN THE MAJESTY OF THE LAW AND UNDER ITS FULL PROTECTION, IS MADE POSSIBLE THE SPREADING OF BALD LIES AND SLANDER, FALSEHOODS ABOUT THE SECOND WORLD WAR, GLORIFICATION OF WAR CRIMES, THE FEEDING OF FACIST AND NATIONALIST TENDENCIES AND MOODS." ACCORDING TO THE AUTHOR, THE AMERICAN PRESS HAS PLAYED UP THE NEO NAZISM PHENOMENON, PERHAPS, HE SPECULATED, TO MAKE UP FOR "THE NOTORIOUS LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF AMERICAN JOURNALISTS ABOUT EUROPEAN REALITIES." HE REMARKED THAT CONCERN OVER THE RISE OF NEO-NAZISM IN THE UNITED STATES COINCIDES WITH A

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"HARDENING OF THE ANTI-LEFT COURSE IN THE USA,
CONNECTED WITH THE
INFAMOUS AND COMPROMISED
LAST DAYS OF MCCARTHYISM."

8. THE AUTHOR OF THE ZW ARTICLE CONTRASTED THE SENATE
MOVE "TO PROHIBIT THE TRAVEL OF COMMUNIST ACTIVISTS
TO THE UNITED STATES" TO THE HANDS-OFF TREATMENT
AFFORDED NEO NAZIS. IT IS NO SURPRISE, HE ADDED,
THAT "PROGRESSIVE
PUBLIC OPINION IN THE UNITED
STATES EXPRESSES STRONG PROTESTS AGAINST THE STRANGE
PRACTICES OF ITS OWN ADMINISTRATION." THE ARTICLE
CONCLUDES THAT "IT IS UNNERVING... THAT INDULGENCE
AND TOLERANCE IN SUCH
MEASURES (ARE PRACTICED)
"IN A COUNTRY WHICH,
AT ANY RATE, PARTICIPATED IN
THE GREAT COALITION AND WHOSE SOLDIERS GAVE THEIR
LIVES SO THAT THE SPIRIT OF HITLER WOULD NEVER ARISE
AGAIN. THESE PRACTICES ARE VERY DANGEROUS."

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